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9 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chiefs, FBIS Field Bureaus

FROM : Chief, FBIS

SUBJECT : Letter of Instruction - Part II

GENERAL

1. Radio Propaganda Reports published in March:
 - a. "Nominations of Central Committee Presidium Members to 1958 Supreme Soviet: Breakdown of 'Collective Leadership'".
 - b. "New Concerted Soviet Bloc Propaganda Campaign Against 'Revisionism'".
 - c. "The Syrian Crisis in Soviet Propaganda: August-November 1957", requested by USIA.
 - d. "Soviet Bloc and Yugoslav Reaction to Khrushchev's Plan for Reorganizing Machine-Tractor Stations".
 - e. "New Communist Clandestine Broadcasts to Greece and Turkey".
 - f. "Draft Program of the Yugoslav Communist Party: A Restatement of Ideological Positions Opposed by Moscow".
2. Editorial Branch Comment on Field Roundups:
 - a. A general improvement has been noted in recent field contributions to world radio and press reaction reports. It is hoped that scrutiny of completed reports with their now standardized format will encourage the authors of the roundups to compose them in a manner which will facilitate adaptation in headquarters.
 - b. Some writers continue to use the present tense in their roundups despite recent reminders to use the past tense. The East Coast Bureau is urged to summarize comment from the various countries or groupings under separate headings as an alternative to providing broad generalizations encompassing all of Europe which make little differentiation. Such capsule generalizations are more appropriate for smaller groupings, such as members of the Arab League, Syria and Egypt, the Scandinavian countries, etc.
 - c. The Mediterranean Bureau should begin the individual sections with positive statements which describe the nature of the comment rather than give indications of which transmitters did or did not comment. Where

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appropriate, a notation that certain national radios were silent could be included at the end of the paragraph. Also remarks such as that certain stations gave "routine coverage" or provided "little comment" are not informative by themselves, since they raise questions as to exactly what was included in this "coverage" or "comment".

d. The German Bureau should expand its coverage of European reaction available from DPA. In the recent report on the Indonesian crisis, DPA summaries of the Dutch press were not represented, despite considerable interest in Dutch comment.

e. As a general rule, bureaus which must depend upon communist press agencies such as NCNA for their coverage of reaction in non-communist countries (for example Indian, Thai and Burmese reaction during the Indonesian crisis) are asked to include this material in a separate section of the roundup with clear attribution to the communist source.

3. The Okinawa Bureau has carried out excellent coverage of the Indonesian revolution despite seasonal deterioration of reception and Jakarta efforts to jam rebel transmissions. Exploration of Saigon Bureau's capacity to provide an improved reception point for an Okinawa monitor on TDY was initially promising, but sharp deterioration due to seasonal conditions has since caused the plan to be suspended. A request to the BBC for information on the availability of Singapore as a temporary site is pending review by the British Colonial Office.

4. In consideration of the probability that the Army Security Agency will maintain facilities at Chitose Air Base in Hokkaido until 1961, it is planned to construct an operations building in the Camp Strong area of that base to be occupied later this year after complete evacuation of the Camp Crawford site.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. After discussion with FBIS, revised procedures for clearance of non-American employees have been approved by the Office of Security, and bureaus have been instructed accordingly.

2. Effective 9 March, foreign national employees have been eligible to apply for career status and membership in the Civil Service Retirement System. To date, 138 employees have been formally accepted.

3. Bureaus are reminded to use appropriation No. 11X2200 Operations FBIS on T/R's and GBL's and not appropriation No. 11X6889. The latter number, however, will still be shown on vouchers which are forwarded to disbursing officers for payment.

4. Bureaus are advised that it is unnecessary to request air freight for home leave orders and air and surface freight for PCS orders. Applicable unaccompanied baggage will automatically be included in the order when it is issued in headquarters.

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5. In accordance with provisions contained in the Introduction to the Supply Catalog dated 1 July 1957, p. 29, bureaus should examine their inventories and remove non-expendable items with a unit cost of \$10 or less. Any change of expendability, however, must be recorded on Form No. 36-16, Report of Inventory Adjustments, and copies forwarded to Headquarters.

6. The following FBIS regulatory issuances were released during the month of March:

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PERSONNEL CHANGES

1. Personnel Entering on Duty

Assignment

Teletype Operator
Ed. Br.

Editor, WCB

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2. Reassignments

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Teletype Supvr. Ed. Br.	Teletype Supvr. Tokyo Bureau
Editor, Far East Sec. Ed. Br.	Editor Saigon Bureau
Editor, USSR & EE Ed. Br.	Editor ECB
Editor ECB	Editor, Publ. Ed. Br.
Editor, Far East Sec. Ed. Br.	Prop. Anal. Off. Saigon Bureau
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